

SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (SNSP) FACTS AND FIGURES 2019-20

In January 2020, 96 private schools were participating in the SNSP with a total enrollment of 1,085 students or 1,054.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) in the program.* In the 2019-20 school year, the SNSP state aid for a full scholarship student is \$12,723 per FTE unless a school submitted a Statement of Actual Cost of the services provided during the 2018-19 school year for the pupil. If the school submitted a Statement of Actual Cost, the 2019-20 payment for the pupil is based on the costs in the statement. For each partial scholarship** student the department pays participating private schools \$8,046 per FTE for students in grades kindergarten through eight and \$8,692 per FTE for students in grades nine through twelve.

All pupils participating in the SNSP must identify their resident public school district (the public school district where they reside). State law requires public school districts to have their state general aid reduced by an amount equal to the amount paid by the state to participating private schools attributable to the SNSP pupils residing in the district except for students with a Statement of Actual Cost. If a school submits a Statement of Actual Cost, up to 150% of the full scholarship per pupil payment (\$19,085 in 2019-20) of the actual costs are funded through an aid reduction from the pupil's resident school district. In addition, the private school receives 90% of the actual costs over 150% of the full scholarship per pupil payment, which are funded directly from the state with state general purpose revenue. If a resident public school district does not receive general aid payments sufficient to cover the SNSP pupil aid reduction, the balance would be reduced from other state aids received by the district. SNSP pupils are included in their resident public school district's membership for state general aid purposes in the following year. Districts may not levy to backfill the aid reduction. However, they receive a non-recurring revenue limit exemption equal to their state general aid reduction.

The table below shows the SNSP enrollment by grade level for the 3rd Friday in September 2019 count date and the 2nd Friday in January 2020 count date. The number of students listed in the table is reported by headcount and FTE. For example, a four-year-old kindergarten student may be counted as 0.5 or 0.6 FTE.

SNSP 2019-20 Enrollment by Grade Level*				
Grade Level	3rd Friday in September 2019		2nd Friday in January 2020	
	Headcount	FTE	Headcount	<u>FTE</u>
4 Year-Old Kindergarten	52	28	63	33.9
5 Year-Old Kindergarten	78	77.1	89	87.1
1st Grade	89	89	95	95
2 nd Grade	95	95	96	96
3 rd Grade	73	73	74	74
4 th Grade	84	84	83	83
5 th Grade	81	81	83	83
6 th Grade	98	98	106	106
7 th Grade	71	71	73	73
8 th Grade	65	65	64	64
9 th Grade	88	88	87	87
10 th Grade	69	69	72	72
11 th Grade	49	49	49	49
12 th Grade	53	53	51	51
Totals	1,045	1,020.1	1,085	1,054.0

^{*} These numbers are as of October 2020 and are subject to change.

^{**} Students who have been determined to no longer have a disability receive a partial scholarship beginning in the school year following the determination.